

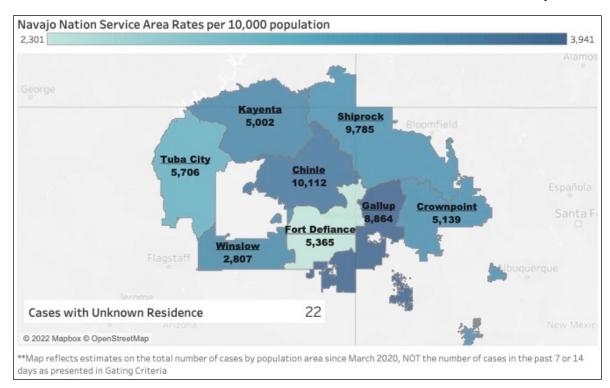
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19 new cases, 51,014 recoveries, and no deaths related to COVID-19 reported



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Friday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 19 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,658. The report indicates that 51,014 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 502,636 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 52,802, including three delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 10,112
 Crownpoint Service Unit: 5,139
 Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,365

Gallup Service Unit: 8,864
Kayenta Service Unit: 5,002
Shiprock Service Unit: 9,785
Tuba City Service Unit: 5,706
Winslow Service Unit: 2,807

* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Friday, the state of New Mexico reported 156 new cases and Utah reported 120 new cases. The state of Arizona now reports COVID-19 cases on a weekly basis, each Wednesday.

"It has been reported that the latest Omicron sub-variant has been detected in the state of Arizona. Health officials continue to monitor the spread of the sub-variant and will continue to provide updates. Our numbers are very low in terms of new COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations, but we must keep our guard up and remain mindful of the sub-variant. The mask mandate in public places remains in effect for the entire Navajo Nation and it does apply to our visitors as well. Please take precautions, get vaccinated, and keep pushing back on the virus," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities on the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are fighting COVID-19 and those who are experiencing the loss of a loved one. Through our love and compassion for one another, we will persevere and continue to move forward. This pandemic has created many challenges, but the strength of our love and prayers will carry us forward together," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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